

Subject: Invite – Dr. Victor Pineda speaks on accessibility rights

Hi XX ,

I would like to invite you to a virtual discussion next Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00am ET, hosted by Qatar Foundation's Education City Speaker Series (ECSS). Titled “**Recognizing a Right: Why We Need to Build an Accessible World**,” the conversation will feature perspective from world-renowned social development scholar, serial social impact entrepreneur, and disability rights expert, [Dr. Victor Pineda](#).

Held in collaboration with the World Innovation Summit for Health (WISH), the discussion will focus on themes of accessibility and inclusivity and touch upon the following:

- Why it's important to facilitate an open discussion surrounding accessibility for all and its impact on disabled communities
- The biggest and most pressing challenges that we are currently facing in disabled communities and how we can better serve these communities, including those with hidden disabilities
- The importance, significance, and value of creating accessible and sustainable cities for all and how to address urban challenges and create better cities in established areas of the world
- What can and should organizations be doing more of in the accessibility space - for their employees, the markets they serve, and the community as a whole - ensuring that we “leave no one behind”
- The role of activism and research in changing perceptions and creating a more accessible world

I've included more details about Dr. Pineda's background below, and you can register here to attend: <https://www.qf.org.qa/education-city-speaker-series/recognizing-a-right-why-we-need-to-build-an-accessible-world>

If you are interested but unable to attend the discussion, there will be a recording available. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,  
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Details for Recognizing a Right: Why We Need to Build an Accessible World

Date: Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>

Time: 9:00-10:00AM ET

About Victor Pineda:

Dr. Victor Santiago Pineda is a human rights expert, scholar, investor, and philanthropist. His work focuses on inclusive and accessible smart cities. A two-time presidential appointee on the US Access Board, a senior Fellow at the Mohammed Bin Rashid School of Government in Dubai,

and the Chairman of The Victor Pineda Foundation / World ENABLED. His foundation supports global non-profits and campaigns promoting the rights of people with disabilities and older persons. Dr. Pineda's research and humanitarian work advance urban resilience, inclusion, and sustainability both at home and abroad. Dr. Pineda is also the Director, Inclusive Cities Lab at IURD, University of California Berkeley.

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